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TERAN, James	)	Examiner: To be assigned
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Serial No.: 09/982,570	)	
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For: Method for Tenderizing Pork	)	Pasadena, California
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## PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8

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The Applicant of the above-identified United States patent application hereby Petitions the United States Patent and Trademark Office to withdraw the abandonment of the above-identified United States patent application. The United States Patent and Trademark Office erroneously abandoned the above-identified application for failure by Applicant to file a timely response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed on November 20, 2001, which set a two-month period for response. The Applicant timely filed a Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts on December 14, 2001, a copy of which is attached. Also attached is a copy of the return postcard stamped by the United States Patent and Trademark Office acknowledging receipt of the documents and a copy of the Notice of Recordation of Assignment Document showing receipt and recordation of the Assignment papers which were simultaneously filed with the Response to Notice to File Missing Parts.

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In view of the above, Applicant hereby petitions that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn under 37 C.F.R. 1.8.

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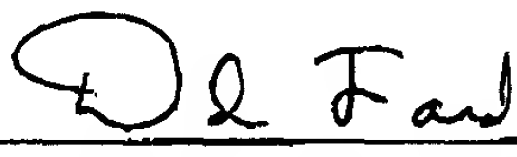
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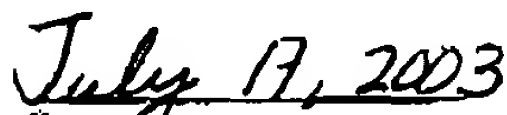
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